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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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## NOTICE OF MEETING

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 19, 2023

**TIME:** 5:00 PM

**PLACE:** Room 313 - State House

## SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

### Senate Bill No. [178](#)

**BY** Gallo, Pearson, DiPalma, Euer, Felag, Valverde, Lawson, Zurier

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- APPRENTICESHIP PATHWAYS TO EARNING A BACHELOR'S DEGREE ACT {LC886/1} (Creates the Apprenticeship Pathways to Earning a Bachelor's Degree Act, to enable an individual to earn a bachelor's degree at public higher education institutions throughout the state by earning credits through apprenticeships.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [181](#)

**BY** DiMario, Lawson, Euer, Valverde, Gallo, Murray, Lauria, Ujifusa, Gu

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE NATHAN BRUNO AND JASON FLATT ACT {LC1201/1} (Provides that in the event of the death of an educator or a student, a local educational agency be given up to five (5) days after the death to implement a flexible school schedule for teachers and students.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [182](#)

**BY** DiMario, Euer, Gallo, Lawson, Acosta, Lauria, Valverde, DiPalma, Picard, Pearson

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COUNCIL ON ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION {LC1443/1} (Adds the Rhode Island teacher of the year as an additional ex officio member of the council on elementary and secondary education as well as the board of education.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

### Senate Bill No. [189](#)

**BY** Quezada, Cano, Euer, DiMario, Acosta, Miller, Pearson, Valverde, Kallman, Bell

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS {LC1583/1} (Authorizes the school administration to issue an out-of-school suspension to students if they are a threat to the safety of others.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [483](#)**

**BY Sosnowski, DiPalma, Gallo, Rogers, Britto, Felag**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- SCHOOL COMMITTEES AND SUPERINTENDENTS {LC2034/1} (Provides that school policies which provide for excused absences for participation in a sport or other extracurricular activity be amended and deemed to include attending agricultural fairs as an excused absence.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [484](#)**

**BY Lawson, DiMario, Euer, Mack, Britto, McKenney, Lauria, Valverde, Cano, Gallo**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- COUNCIL ON ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION {LC1975/1} (Requires the student advisory council to meet at least quarterly, provides the chairperson with equal voting powers as members on the council, and provides that a student under eighteen (18) years is exempt from the senate advise and consent process.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [488](#)**

**BY Acosta, Lawson, Mack, Picard, Gallo, Valverde**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS {LC1758/1} (Extends teacher certifications without fee or penalty for three (3) years for teachers who hold certifications as of July 1, 2023.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [496](#)**

**BY Gallo, Lombardo, Acosta, DiPalma, Ciccone, Gu**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS {LC2321/1} (Revises the course requirements for the fast-track principal certification program.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [763](#)**

**BY DiPalma, DiMario, Lauria, Murray**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS {LC305/1} (Requires the departments of elementary and secondary education and health to adopt policies/ rules/regulations for the administration of seizure rescue medications for children who have been medically identified as having epilepsy/seizure disorder.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [764](#)**

**BY Cano, DiPalma, Burke, McKenney, Lawson, Murray, Euer, Zurier, Pearson**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PUPILS {LC2170/1} (Requires all public schools to screen students for behavioral health concerns by June 30, 2024, and thereafter, all students in the third grade, eighth grade, and students who enroll from a district outside of the state.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [765](#)**

**BY Cano, Murray, DiMario, Acosta, Euer, Zurier, Quezada, Mack, Britto, Gu**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS {LC2266/1} (Requires all educator preparation programs to include lessons on cultural competency and how teachers shall meet the instructional needs of multilingual learners.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Education

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

**Senate Bill No. [767](#)**

**BY Zurier, Ciccone, DiPalma, Pearson**

**ENTITLED,** AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION -- THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION ACT {LC2538/1} (Requires every school district/local education agency/city/town to report each fiscal year relating to funding/ administrative/program information from the American Rescue plan, elementary/secondary school emergency relief, and state/local recovery funds.)

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**TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:**

\*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

**TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION**

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